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January 7, 1983

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE HONORABLE WILLIAM J. CASEY
The Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT: Recommendation of the President's Foreign
Intelligence Advisory Board Concerning Mexico [REDACTED]

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In May 1982 the President asked that the President's Foreign Intelligence Advisory Board (PFIAB) use Mexico as a case study of how intelligence tasking, collection, analysis, and counterintelligence are integrated in providing senior policy-makers with information on the threats and opportunities facing the US in this region during the coming decade. He was concerned that we must have the finest intelligence possible concerning developments which could threaten the orientation or stability of the government of Mexico, or which could permit Mexico to be used as a base against the US or our interests in the region as well as the role which Mexico might play in the furthering of US interests. [REDACTED]

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The PFIAB has completed an interim report and has forwarded a number of recommendations for improving our intelligence capabilities with regard to Mexico. The Board has clearly been impressed with your efforts to improve our capabilities, but believes that much more effort and resources should be devoted to Mexico. The President has approved the following recommendations and has asked that you begin implementation of them as soon as possible: [REDACTED]

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- That the SIG-I begin efforts to develop a comprehensive, centralized capability to gather intelligence on the Mexican-US border area. [REDACTED]

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You should also carefully consider an additional recommendation offered by PFIAB. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

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The President fully supports your efforts in this area and is convinced that we must begin now to take these additional steps as well to improve our capabilities. [REDACTED]

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Please let me know how I can be of assistance to you. [REDACTED]

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FOR THE PRESIDENT:

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